cancellation of the dealerships, etc., is warranted, will be taken by the Competent Authority as per direction of the Court.

Shifting of EME in Bhopal

2884. SHRI SUSHIL CHANDRA : Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to shift E.M.E. centre located in Bhopal to any other place;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether some families of the emloyees working in E.M.E. centre were affected by Bhopal gas disaster and cases relating to their compensation are pending in the courts of Bhopal;

(d) if so, whether the Government propose to reconsider their decision not to shift E.M.E. centre from Bhopal; and

(e) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI N.V.N. SOMU) : (a) and (b) No, Sir. No such decision is being taken presently.

(c) Yes, Sir. 493 families of the employees, were affected by the Gas disaster and some cases are still pending in the courts.

(d) and (e) Do not arise in view of (a) above.

Toll Tax on Bridges on NHs.

2885. SHRI SAMIK LAHIRI : Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state the total revenue earned from the toll taxes on bridges on National Highways in the country during last three years State-wise and year-wise ?

THE MINISTER OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI T.G. VENKATRAMAN) : A statement is enclosed.

(Rs. in lakhs)

S. No.	Name of States/ UTs.	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Andhra Pradesh	698.56	726.76	587.36
2.	Assam	23.91	51.03	39.80
3.	Bihar	133.65	26.93	–
4.	Goa	102.73	165.91	71.56
5.	Gujarat	513.13	593.40	647.42
6.	Haryana	192.65	304.61	–
7.	Karnataka	326.34	171.03	136.78
8.	Kerala	235.07	251.94	282.48
9.	Madhya Pradesh	471.89	563.90	657.06
10.	Maharashtra	441.20	868.90	812.43
11.	Manipur	1.29	2.65	2.19
12.	Meghalaya	98.92	77.08	59.50
13.	Orissa	153.75	187.62	225.20
14.	Punjab	31.64	92.95	178.88
15.	Rajasthan	292.94	455.96	495.83
16.	Tamil Nadu	162.53	124.94	67.92
17.	Uttar Pradesh	603.66	539.65	597.27
	Total	4483.86	5204.86	4861.68

[Translation]

Oil Refining Projects

2886. SHRI N.J. RATHWA : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Oil Companies have entered into collaboration with some foreign Oil Companies to launch oil refining projects in the country especially in the oil refineries located in Gujarat during the last three years;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether such proposals are under consideration currently;

(d) if so, the details thereof alongwith the progress made in this regard;

(e) the equity share of foreign Oil Companies and Government and other agencies under this scheme; and

(f) the time by which above mentioned projects are likely to be completed ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU) : (a) to (f) Oil Companies have entered into joint venture agreement with foreign oil companies. The equity participation by the Public Sector Companies are 26% in respect of joint venture while for the coventurer, it is also 26% and 48% for the Public/NRIs. These JV refineries are :

(1) Central India Refinery at Bina by BPCL as joint venture with Oman Oil Company. The JV refinery of 6 MMTPA has since been approved by Government on 11.12.1995 at an estimated

cost of Rs.5277 crores and is scheduled to be commissioned within 42 months from Government approval.

(2) Western India 6 MMTPA Refinary project at Deogarh in Maharashtra by HPCL with Oman Oil Company. Oman Oil Company has however since decided to review their interest in the venture due to their various other commitments.

(3) The East Coast Refinery is proposed to be set up by IOC as Joint Venture with Kuwait Petroleum Corporation, in Orissa. The first stage clearance for this 9 MMTPA project has already been accorded and IOC have submitted the Detailed Feasibility Report for 9 MMTPA capacity project which is under process for investment approval.

(4) U.P. JV refinery by BPCL with M/s. Shell International. Government has issued a Letter of Intent for a Joint Venture 7 MMTPA refinery in U.P. Ist stage clearance has been given on 21.04.1997.

(5) Punjab JV refinery by HPCL with Saudi Aramco. Government has issued a Letter of Intent to HPCL for their proposal for setting up of 6.0 MMTPA refinery in Punjab. The Ist stage approval for the preparation of Detailed Feasibility Report has been accorded on 31.12.1996.

Presently, there is no proposal for setting up of a refinery as Joint Venture in Gujarat by oil companies with foreign oil companies.

[English]

Financial Assistance

2887. SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN : Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government extend financial assistance for the training and employment programmes meant for women;

(b) if so, the year-wise allocation of funds made to States under this programme during the last three years, State-wise; and

(c) the number of women benefited under this programme during the above period, State-wise ?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI S.R. BOMMAI) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) A Statement indicating number of beneficiaries and allocation of funds under the Schemes of Socio-Economic Programmes for Women, Condensed Courses and Vocational Training for Women, Setting up of Employment-cum-Income Generating Units for Women (NORAD) and Support to Training and Employment Programme for Women (STEP) is enclosed. State-wise allocation of funds is not made under Schemes of NORAD and STEP.

Statement

	Allocation of Funds			No. of Beneficieries		
	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97	1994-95	1995-96	1996-97
	(in crores) Rs.					
Support to Training & Employment Programme for Women (STEP)	15.00	16.00	16.00	65,740	36,390	76,875
Setting up of Employment-cum-Income Generating Units for Women (NORAD)	4.00	6.20	18.00	9,635	13,500	29,629

Socio – Economic Programme for Women

S.No.	States	Allocation (Rs. in lakhs)			Beneficiaries		
		94-95	95-96	96-97	94-95	95-96	96-97
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
1.	Andhra Pradesh	30.00	40.00	40.00	299	315	–
2.	Assam	19.00	24.00	24.00	347	96	–
3.	Bihar	22.00	38.00	38.00	227	275	–
4.	Gujarat	30.00	45.00	45.00	125	280	50
5.	Haryana	16.00	7.00	7.00	30	25	–